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Honorable John S. Warner
General Counsel
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear John:

This is in response to your letter of April 2, 1975, with respect to the exemption from the provisions of the Federal Personnel Manual to permit your agency to administer polygraph examinations for certain Department of Defense personnel detailed to the Central Intelligence Agency.

This is to advise you that the Commission did not respond directly to our request of last year for an exception. They informed us informally that they would defer approval until our revised Department of Defense Directive governing the use of the polygraph was published. Our revised Directive which had been under revision for some time was further amended on the basis of comments from the Commission. At this writing, a draft, with the Civil Service Commission additions, is in its final version. A copy of this final version was forwarded to the Director of Security, of your Agency, for comment on March 24, 1975. His agreement to the provisions of our draft was received April 14, 1975 (copy attached).

Fortunately, the number of persons involved is so minuscule that the problem of new polygraph examinations has not forced itself upon us. However, in any case, if your Agency should require polygraph examinations for any DoD competitive service personnel assigned to work with CIA, please hold such examinations in abeyance until we have received Civil Service Commission approval.

Sincerely,

D. O. Cooke
Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense

Attachment

